

FROM THE STATE HOUSE.

LOOKERS-ON OF THE LAW AS TO THE MEASURING OF OYSTERS.

The Board on the Chesapeake and its Tributaries will have to wrestle with the subject—Other Information.

Among the laws enacted by the Legislature during the last session in reference to the oyster industry is one amending section 210 of the Code, which provides the following:

It shall not be lawful at any time for any person to buy or sell oysters in this State in the shell by any other than the metallic measure adopted by the State of Virginia, and bearing the official seal, and in the measurement of oysters the tubs must be filled with a slight rise above the top.

It shall be the duty of the Board of the Chesapeake and its Tributaries, as soon as possible after the contract of this act, to have made by contract metallic oyster measures, of such metal and according to such specifications as they may adopt and publish, the measures to be of the following dimensions: The bottom to be sixteen and a half inches across, from inside to inside; the top to be eighteen inches across, from inside to inside and twenty-one inches across from the inside chine to the top; half tubs to be twelve and a half inches from inside to inside.

Each measure is to bear a stamp or seal distinctly marked on it, the seal to be of a design agreed upon by the Board of the Chesapeake and its Tributaries. The board shall cause these measures to be distributed to all the oyster inspectors of the State, who shall offer them for sale, and sell them to the public at a price not exceeding such per centum over their contract price as may, in the judgment of the board, be sufficient to fully defray all the expenses of procuring and delivering such measures to the public. Violations of this law shall be fined with from \$25 to \$100 for each offence. The imitating or counterfeiting of these measures or their use shall be punished as a felony.

The following delegates and alternates were elected on Friday evening at Edgewater Hall by the Good Templars of the District of Columbia, to attend the session of District Lodge No. 1, at Charlottesville, next Thursday, April 19th: Delegates, E. Rutherford, John C. Thomas, G. W. Hall, C. W. D. Smith, Dr. Leo P. Pusey, and Miss Irene Donnan; alternates, Misses Lily M. Allen, Belle Doremus, Francis Dawley, Florrie Rice, Mollie Scott, Mattie Turley, and Mrs. C. C. Smith, as alternates.

The District No. 1, of the order of Good Templars, is composed of the cities of Richmond, Manchester, Petersburg, and Williamsburg, and the counties of Cumberland, Chesterfield, Charles City, Dinwiddie, Gloucester, Hanover, Henrico, Isle of Wight, James City, King William, Nansemond, Northampton, Prince George, and Southampton.

Jottings from Fulton.

Mr. Joseph Melvin, of Radford, Va., is visiting his mother, Mrs. William Bowen, on Williamsburg avenue.

An application will in a few days be presented before the Circuit Court for a charter for a social club in Fulton.

Colonel Elliott took a tour through Fulton during the first part of the week. Considerable complaint is being made on account of a lot of small boys who make it a practice of jumping on the electric car while they are in motion. Unless some steps are taken to prevent this usual occurrence there may be some of them injured.

Mr. James O'Connor, of West Point, is visiting relatives and friends in Fulton. Mr. John Crane, of New York, has been visiting in Fulton during the past week. He is connected with the firm of the Virginia and North Carolina Wheel Company.

The Barkmen.

Mr. W. T. Mitchell, of Campbell county, Va., arrived in the city yesterday. On Monday Messrs. Mitchell and Fulton will contest for the championship in pigeon shooting. Mr. Fulton is now the champion, and Mr. Mitchell is champion of the city. The contest will be for the gun and dog will no doubt be present to witness the contest. The shooting will take place at the head of Main street, next to the street-car stables.

Mr. Mitchell is well known in Richmond, as he was for a long time a resident and shoe merchant on Broad street.

Oratorical Contest.

The annual Oratorical contest of the Mu Sigma Rho and Phi Kappa Phi Societies of Richmond College will be held at 8 o'clock, at 8 P. M. The contestants and their subjects are as follows:

J. B. Childress, Danville, Va., "Where Are We At?"
C. C. McDaniel, Blackstone, Va., "The Anglo-Saxon."
R. H. White, Hampton, Va., "Columbus our Discoverer; England our Deliverer; Who our Preserver?"
Minette Folkes, Richmond, Va., "Private Soldier of the Confederacy."

Music in the West End.

A large and appreciative audience attended the musicals given Friday night by Miss Helen Stockell and her pupils in West-End Hall. Those taking part were Miss Stockell, Mr. Laube, Miss Biggs, Mr. Brockenbrough, Miss Booker, Miss Meade, Mr. Pizzini, Miss Scott, Miss Harrison, Miss Carter.

The performance of the young ladies proves Miss Stockell a most excellent instructor, and a credit to the Boston Conservatory, of which she is a graduate. New artistic accomplishments constituted a feature of the entertainment.

The Work of Cupid.

Cards are out for the marriage of Miss Florence Augusta Mitchell to Mr. Arthur Warren Hechler, at Union-Station Methodist church, Tuesday evening, April 24th, at 6:30 o'clock.

Invitations have also been issued for the marriage of Miss David F. Davis to Mr. J. Alexander Jones, the ceremony to be performed on Tuesday, the 24th instant, at 4 P. M., at the residence of the bride-elect's parents, No. 519 North Seventh street.

Forepaugh's Circus.

To adequately describe the Adam Forepaugh shows would be to write a veritable encyclopedia of arena zoological literature. All the old time, but ever new, feats of the circus are presented, but upon such a scale as was probably never dreamed of at a time within the recollection of the average reader. To these are added in extravagant profusion new acts, which displayed human skill and daring in its very highest state of development possible.

The Times Was First.

The Times announced the verdict in the Breckinridge-Pollard breach-of-promise suit nearly an hour before any other Richmond paper. The news, which has been anxiously awaited by the reading public for several days, came over the Postal wires, and a few moments after it was received large numbers of people crowded around The Times' bulletin.

Took the Third Degree.

Dove Lodge, No. 31, F. A. and A. M., held its regular stated communication in the Masonic Temple on Friday evening. A prominent member of Governor O'Ferral's staff, who had been before the negative was contended by Messrs. N. J. Allen and J. E. Hixson. The gentlemen were able representatives of the Masonic society, and the organization, as well as themselves, was the organization.

Rev. Dr. James Nelson, of the Woman's College, invoked the divine blessing upon the ceremonies. President Marsh, of the society, delivered the welcome address.

For Sleeplessness.

DR. HENRI'S ACID PHOSPHATE and long for sleep to come, will obtain it.

THEY STILL CONTINUE.

TWO MORE FIRES YESTERDAY, SUPPOSED TO BE INCENDIARY.

Churches and Sermons To-Day—Entertainment on Bainbridge Street—Knocked Down by a Bull—Personals.

MANCHESTER BUREAU RICHMOND TIMES, 1121 HULL STREET, BEATHEE TRIMMER.

It looks very much at present as if Manchester will be effaced from the earth by fire. Yesterday morning flames were discovered in the wood-house of Mr. Richard Vaughn, on Eleventh street between Hull and Bainbridge, but they were extinguished without the aid of the fire department, or any damage.

An hour or so afterwards there was another fire in the house at the corner of Eleventh and Bainbridge streets, next door to the residence of Mr. Vaughn. The fire-bell rung for the second fire, which occurred in the room in the building occupied by Mr. Ernest Fridy.

Fire was discovered between the bed-room and the kitchen. Somebody evidently seemed to know. Somebody evidently seemed to know. It is supposed to have been the same person that set fire to the wood-house of Mr. Vaughn yesterday morning and Friday morning.

It is very evident that the station-house, arrested Friday on suspicion of having started the fires which occurred Friday, is innocent of the charges. The police have their theory as to the origin of the two fires, and are making a thorough investigation.

Cowardin-Avenue church was densely crowded Friday night to hear Rev. Mr. Book preach his last sermon. His labor in this community has resulted in much good. Some eighty or ninety persons have confessed their faith in Jesus at these meetings.

Rev. George P. Rutledge, of Norfolk, will preach at this church next week. Mr. H. H. Franklin will occupy his pulpit this morning and night. His subject at 11 o'clock will be "Wisdom's Call." At 7:45 his subject will be "Cities of Refuge."

Mr. Trainum will preach at Leader Hall this afternoon. Subject—"Does It Pay to Be a Christian?"

SerVICES at West-End church: Sunday-school at 9:30 A. M.; regular services at 11 A. M. and 7:45 P. M. by the pastor, Rev. E. T. Dabmon. Christian Endeavor promptly at 7 P. M. All cordially invited.

The Sewing Circle of the Stockton-Baptist church are making big preparations for their fair and concert to take place the latter part of this month at Leader Hall. The R. L. Blues band will open the fair with a grand musical programme.

Rev. John J. Clifton will preach both morning and night to-day at the Meade-Memorial church.

Mr. Thomas C. Gresham, who as president of the Columbian University Law School Debating Society, will preside at the debate on "The Annexation of Hawaii," between the Columbian and Georgetown Debating Societies, to take place on the 13th instant, was born in Chesterfield county, Va., March 28, 1857.

Messrs. W. T. Hart and W. E. Smith, who represented the two lodges of Odd-Fellowship at the Grand Lodge of Virginia, which met at Alexandria, have returned. They speak in high terms of the hospitality of the people of Alexandria, and say they had a royal time. The Manchester Odd-Fellows are highly pleased at Manchester being selected as the place for the next meeting of the Grand Lodge, and they will make the next meeting of the Grand Lodge a memorable event in the history of Odd-Fellowship in this city.

A party was given Friday night at the residence of Mrs. E. N. Lacy, No. 139 Bainbridge street. Those present were: Misses Myrtle Hall, Ruth Hall, Ada Childress, Annie Toney, of Powhatan; Mattie Pierce, Fannie Noble, of Richmond; Myrtle Noble, Lillian Good, of E. H. Goode, Mrs. E. N. Lacy, and Messrs. Charlie Witte, of Richmond; D. L. Toney, Willie Word, Melvin Pitt, Clarence Fahr, Eddie Paul, Harry Walker, Carter Jones, of Marshall, and others.

Franklin. Dancing was kept up until a late hour, and all present spent a very pleasant evening.

Yesterday morning about 9 o'clock Mr. James Brown, who lives on the Midlothian pike, was knocked down by a young bull and badly gored. His jaw bone was broken in three places and other bad injuries received. Dr. Ingram was called and dressed the wounds and that Mr. Brown will get along all right.

Miss Susie McGregor, of Chesterfield, is on a visit to Mrs. Thomas M. Fendley, on Porter street.

The Hustings Court will convene tomorrow.

No business was transacted in the Mayor's Court yesterday morning.

CEILINGWORTH'S AXE.

Acting Under Rulings of the Civil Service He Makes Several Changes.

Two other removals were made by Postmaster Ceilingworth yesterday of those separated by the civil service commission from the classified service. The removals caused several changes as well.

George Dunlop, box clerk and distributor was removed, and Thomas M. Ponder, a dispatcher, was promoted to the place, and John M. Gordon selected from the eligible list of the civil service candidates, was made dispatcher.

C. B. Hoone, a clerk in the mailing division, was removed, and Luther M. Turner, from the eligible list appointed to his place.

These removals are made under the rulings of the civil service commission. The men removed were formerly placed in the classified service without having stood the regular civil service examination, and that was probably the reason they were separated by the commission from that service.

A Virginian Honored.

The friends of Dr. Archibald Atkinson, now residing in Baltimore, but formerly of Smithfield, Isle of Wight county, Va., will be glad to learn of his appointment to membership in the Royal Victoria Institute, London. The institute is a philosophical and literary society in which are enrolled many prominent writers of the day.

Dr. Atkinson is the eldest son of the late Hon. Archibald Atkinson, who represented the Norfolk district in the Forty-fourth Congress, and brother to Prof. Robert C. Atkinson, of the Marion Sims Medical college, of St. Louis, Mo. He was for many years professor of therapeutics and the practice of medicine in the Baltimore Medical College, and during the war was sergeant of the Tenth Virginia cavalry, and brigade sergeant of Early's old brigade, Army of Northern Virginia.

The Police Court.

The following cases were before the Grand Jurors yesterday morning: John Madison (colored) sent to the grand jury for stealing two barrels of corn from Messrs. W. P. McGuire and J. O. Sale.

Benjamin Price (colored), it will be remembered, some time since shot Sule Rutherford's boy, on Broad street. Sule appeared in court, very much improved. The Justice sent Ben on to the Hustings Court.

The case of Littleton Smith (colored), charged with being a suspicious character, and having a knife, and a lot of other things, was continued until Wednesday.

Eddie Johnson (colored) was before his Honor, charged with obtaining under false pretences from Haskell & Hatton two barrels of coal, and one bed spread. His case was continued until next Tuesday.

TRAIN OF SPEED.

A Splendid Race Programme Arranged for the Exposition.

The officers of the Virginia State Agricultural and Mechanical Society are determined to make the big Exposition to be held next October from the 9th to the 19th inclusive, the superior of all former efforts. The premiums are the most liberal ever before offered, and as no entry fee is charged on anything, there is no doubt that the exhibit will be the largest ever seen on a similar occasion.

The county collective exhibits, which will be left as a nucleus for the permanent exhibit, will be a very attractive feature, and already several counties have joined the society that they intend to make exhibits and prominent citizens are now working up the matter.

THE RACES.

The races this year will be the most attractive ever seen in Virginia. More than \$5,000 has been offered in purses and the schedule calls for twenty-one races, thirteen running, and eight trotting. The races will be during the second week of the Exposition, beginning October 12th. The following is the complete programme:

FIRST DAY.

1. Running, free for all, three-fourth mile. Purses, \$300.
2. Yearling class, must have been owned in Virginia six months previous to October 1, 1894, half mile heats best two in three. Purses, \$50.

3. Running, mile dash, three years old and upwards. Purses, \$20.
4. Two-fifty class. Purses, \$20.
5. Running, gentlemen riders, mile dash, open to horses used habitually as saddle horses owned and ridden in Virginia. Purses, \$100.

SECOND DAY.

6. Running, half mile, for maiden two year olds, to carry 110 pounds. Purses, \$50.
7. Two-year-old class, must have been owned in Virginia six months previous to October 1, 1894, best two in three. Purses, \$100.

8. Running, one and a quarter miles, for three years old and upwards. Purses, \$20.
9. Two-twenty-seven class. Purses, \$400.
10. Running, gentlemen riders, mile dash, open to horses used habitually as saddle horses. Purses, \$50.

THIRD DAY.

11. Running, mile dash, for maidens, all ages. Purses, \$50.
12. Three-year-old class, must have been owned in Virginia six months previous to October 1, 1894, Purses, \$50.
13. Running, five-eighths of mile, for two year olds. Purses, \$50.

14. Free for all, trotting and pacing. Purses, \$50.
15. Running, gentlemen riders; three-quarter mile dash, horses used habitually as saddle horses. Purses, \$75.

FOURTH DAY.

16. Running, half mile heats, best two in three. Purses, \$20.
17. Two-forty class. Purses, \$20.
18. Running, three-fourths mile dash; for two year olds, to carry 105 pounds. Purses, \$200.

19. Running, three-quarter mile dash; consolation purse for horses that have started at this meeting and have not won. Purses, \$150.
20. Running, consolation race, for gentlemen riders, mile dash, for horses that have started at this meeting and have not won. Purses, \$75.

ACROSS THE VIADUCT.

Mr. W. K. Bache has been elected President of the American Produce Company of Richmond.

Mrs. R. L. Smith made a flying trip to Mount Vernon, Thursday.

Mr. J. A. Hopkins has moved into his new residence on North avenue and Roberts streets.

Mr. J. H. White, Major Rawley, and Mr. W. O. Shelburne are on the road in the interest of their respective houses.

Mrs. T. Hutchinson has returned from New York.

Misses Rosa and Lettie Goodwyn are visiting their brother, Mr. E. P. Goodwyn, on Barton avenue.

Miss Etta Clarke, of Middleton, Conn., who has been visiting Miss Jennie Wilcox, returned to her home on Monday.

Mrs. C. J. M. Jordan, of Lynchburg, is on a visit to her niece, Mrs. W. A. Dabney, of Broad and Park.

Mr. James Bailey has purchased the lots opposite Mr. Will Miller's and will erect a handsome residence. Mr. Wheeler will also commence to build at once in the same neighborhood.

Mrs. E. K. Sibley, of New York, and Mrs. Ryan, of Orange, N. J., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Barton.

The ladies of the Methodist church have arranged with Dr. Lafferty to deliver one of his popular lectures, some live or one of his popular lectures.

Dr. Cullen will deliver a lecture in the school house on North avenue next Tuesday, April 17th, at 8 P. M. His subject will be one of the most interesting of the Doctor's lectures. There will be no charge, and all are cordially invited to attend.

The Friendly Society.

The Friendly Society for Men and Boys is doing an excellent work, especially among the young men of the city. The society was organized in March, 1883, and under the present efficient board is increasing its usefulness, and exercising a refining and elevating influence among men and boys, which purpose this society was organized.

Their present headquarters are on the corner of Pine and Main streets, where they have rooms fitted up and supplied with books, maps, and games of amusement. The society has charge of the rooms which are open every evening from 6 o'clock.

The present board are as follows: Mrs. E. T. D. Myers, president; Mrs. W. G. Dabney, vice-president; Mr. H. G. Carlton; Mr. Joseph H. Shepherd, secretary; Mr. John P. McGuire, Mrs. John McGuire, Mrs. Conway, Parkersdale, Miss Emma Derbyshire, Mr. Calwell.

Shield of Honor.

Virginia Lodge, Shield of Honor, held an interesting session on April 13th. The occasion was the monthly speaker, which was well attended, and the members were delightfully entertained by Brothers Hianford, Chitline, and others. These gatherings take place every second Friday night in the month.

Advice to Parents.

If you'd have your children well grounded in life.

To meet vicissitudes in this world of strife.

Start them not on life's ladder too near the top.

Where want of experience might cause a drop.

The first round at the bottom is the best chance.

For gaining the knowledge to hold an advanced position.

Experienced down there, where work is no play.

When they get higher they will be there to stay.

They may think it hard, thus their living to earn;

But let not remorse then give you concern;

They'll be gaining thereby a much firmer grip.

To stand on up higher, where others would slip.

Tho' great expectations their notions may swell.

Remember with all, they need knowledge as well.

For they cannot transmit experience to those.

To whom, when you are taken, your property goes.

Then to parents we say, tho' wealth you have found.

Let your children start off at that bottom round.

For unless in their youth that first round be passed,

They'll probably land at the bottom at last.

Deafness Cannot be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure Deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube gets inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and if it is entirely closed Deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out of this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

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The best Opera Company on the road. All the week at the Academy.

Home Insurance Company of New York.

We beg leave to call the attention of our readers to the annual statement of this magnificent company, which appears in our columns this morning. It will be seen from this statement that the assets of the Home on the 1st of January last were \$9,008,832.62, and that their surplus over and above every imaginable liability, including the necessary amount to reimburse every policy on their books in some other first-class company, and their capital, was \$90,324.97. In other words, the Home will be able to pay its business, transfer all of its risks to some other company, pay back its capital of \$9,000,000 to its stockholders, and still have the above amount in surplus to distribute among the stockholders. The "Home" is one of the largest fire insurance companies in the world, and, in addition to issuing fire policies, also issues wind-storm and postal policies. The "Home" lost \$8,000,000 at Chicago in the great fire of 1871, and in about a year later lost \$800,000 at Boston, and in both instances all of their losses were promptly paid.

Mr. Thomas L. Alfriend, No. 1203 Main street, is the Richmond agent of this company, and we feel quite sure that any of our readers desiring first-class insurance would do well to call upon him.

Grau's magnificent Opera Company all the week at the Academy. Reduced prices—25 cents up.

Richmond, Va., April 11, 1894.

To the Democratic Voters of the City of Richmond:

I have announced myself a candidate for the office of City Treasurer at the coming primary election, and respectfully solicit your support. If elected to this most important office, it will be my sole purpose to give it a most thorough business administration, with the most efficient assistance. Having no interest in the advancement of any family or personal friends, and as my intention to retain all of the present officers who may be found competent, thus giving insurance to the community, and administration, such as was enjoyed by our people under the management of my late lamented friend, John K. Chitline, MAXWELL T. CLARK.

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The United Banking and Building Company, 821 east Main street, offers for sale its fully-paid and non-assessable stock at \$20 per share, and a cash dividend of 6 per cent. per annum is paid semi-annually. This stock further participates in the profits of the company, and at maturity (which is at the end of four months), is redeemed at \$100 per share.

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The Best Music. Cheaper Prices. Academy. This week. Grau's Opera Company.

Excursion to Washington Saturday Night, May 12th, for White Monday.

Train leaves Elba at 10:30 P. M.; returning, leaves Washington Monday, May 14th, 6 o'clock P. M. Round-trip, \$2.50. CLASH, THOMPSON & CO.

Grau's great Opera Company will play all the week at the Academy. Prices, 25 cents to 75 cents.

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The Richmond and Danville railroad will continue to sell round-trip tickets at very low rates to Jacksonville, New Orleans, City of Mexico, and other prominent winter resorts of the South, until April 30th. For all information, address John M. Beall, Traveling Passenger Agent, 920 east Main street, Richmond, Va.

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